

Best Practices Advisory Committee

Minutes from August 7, 2007

Voting Members present: Bob Bohanske, Sue Davis, Tim Davis, Tim Dunst, Jill Fabian, Joan Grey, Sara Scalzo-Kaczmarzyk

Non-Voting Members present: Dan Wynkoop, Jytte Methman, Katie McGlynn, Tom Kelly

Absent Members: Kathy Basher, Teresa Bertsch, Penny Free Burke, Alexandra O'Hannon, Valley Owen, Judith Russell, Aimee Schwartz, Christy Dye, Michael Shafer, Laura Nelson, Leticia D'Amore, Bob Crouse, Meena Shahi, Ali Di Latrinidad

Welcome and Introductions: Jytte Methmann welcomed everyone. Sara Scalzo-Kaczmarzyk introduced herself as a new member to the committee.

Review of Minutes:

- ❖ Review of meeting minutes from the June 5th 2007 meeting. The minutes were approved.

Subcommittee Updates:

- ❖ Assessment—Jytte provided an update about the work of the Assessment Subcommittee. The Committee may have a draft to present to the BPAC by the next meeting. Bob Bohanske is a member of the assessment committee; he shared additional information about the work that is being done both within the general assessment committee and the newly formed children's assessment Subcommittee.
- ❖ Peer Support—Bob Bohanske stated that Arizona is ahead of much of the country in the area of peer support, and suggested that it might be a good idea to share information about our work. Dr. Bohanske pointed out that the paper developed by Vicki Staples only addressed Peer Support for youth and substance abuse, and that something similar across all populations would be helpful. There was discussion surrounding certification vs. non-certification of peer workers. Tom Kelly will send information about certification to committee members to review. One of the concerns brought up with peer support was that there is not enough training for the people in these positions. Everyone on the committee agreed that this is a very important issue, and discussed taking it up at the next meeting and possibly forming a small subcommittee to address developing standards.
- ❖ Client Directed, Outcome Informed—ADHS is in the process of possible buying a license for statewide use.

Ongoing Clinical Supervision Discussion:

- ❖ The public behavioral health systems function under both the Board of Behavioral Health Examiners and Office of Behavioral Health Licensing requirements. There was lively discussion about the challenges this pose, along with the regulations of other licensing bodies, such as CARF etc. Bob Bohanske stated he has a list of at least ten items that differ between the two Arizona standards and will bring the list to the next meeting. Bob stated in his opinion R920 is a barrier. Bob volunteered to lead a small ah-hoc subcommittee to draft something for the committee to look at around this issue at the next meeting, and drafted Tim Dunst for this work.

Update on Innovation Zone/Demonstration Sites:

- ❖ A handout was provided regarding the MET/CBT rollout.

Updates on upcoming trainings/conferences:

- ❖ Nitika reported on several upcoming conferences funded by the Child and Adolescent State Infrastructure Grant and shared fliers for them. She stated that Bob Bohanske will be on the panel at the ASAM conference.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 2007 from 1:00-3:00PM in room 215B